

REMARKS

Applicants will address each of the Examiner's rejections and objections in the order in which they appear in the Final Rejection.

Claim Objections

In the Final Rejection, the Examiner objects to Claims 43 and 53 for informalities therein. These informalities were mere typographical errors in the claims. Accordingly, Applicants are amending the claims in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions, and it is respectfully requested that these objections be withdrawn.

Double Patenting

The Examiner also rejects Claims 42-59 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-8 and 14 of US 6,426,787. This rejection is respectfully traversed.

While Applicants traverse this rejection, in order to advance the prosecution of this application, Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer and fee. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

New Claims

Applicants are also adding new Claims 60-78 and canceling Claims 44-46 and 54-56 without prejudice or disclaimer. The fee for new claims has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Fee
Total	31	-	20	11	(small entity) x 25 (others) x 50	\$550.00
Independent	6	-	3	3	(small entity) x 100 (others) x 200	\$600.00
Multiple Dependent (None)					(small entity) + 180 (others) + 360	\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEES						\$1150.00

Applicants are enclosing the \$1150.00 fee for the new claims and new independent claims. If any further fee should be due, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Initialing of 1449 Forms

Applicants note that in the Final Rejection, the Examiner has included the 1449 forms from the IDS filed by Applicants on August 5, 2004. Unfortunately, the Examiner has not initialed each of the references listed therein to indicate that he has considered these references. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner now do so in reply to this Amendment.


Conclusion

It is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and should be allowed.

Please charge our deposit account 50/1039 for any fee due for the new claims. If any other fees are due for this amendment, please charge our deposit account 50/1039.

Favorable reconsideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Mark J. Murphy', is written over a horizontal line.

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